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CONDITIONS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action for the above-identified application that was mailed August 12, 2004.

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 40 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 43 of this paper.